

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An optical lens set comprising:

a) ~~a~~ a first lens set element having a first optical axis and including a first lens having a first curved lens surface having a first entrance pupil with a first diameter, wherein said first lens set element ~~is being~~ of a first width in a direction perpendicular to said first optical axis; and

b) ~~b~~ a second lens set element having a second optical axis and including a second lens having a second curved lens surface having a second entrance pupil with a ~~different, second~~ diameter which is smaller than said first diameter, said second lens set element having an inner part and an outer part arranged in a direction perpendicular to said second optical axis, said inner part including said second lens, wherein said first and second lens set elements are adapted to form a lens assembly including said first and second lenses,

characterized in that said outer part ~~extends~~ includes a removable part arranged to be removed during an assembly process, said removable part extending to a second width in a direction perpendicular to said second optical axis, ~~which said~~ second width ~~is being~~ greater than said first width.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The optical lens set ~~according to as claimed in~~ claim 1, wherein the thickness of said first lens along

said first optical axis is greater than the thickness of said second lens along said second optical axis.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~An The optical lens set according to as~~
~~claimed in~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein a ratio of the thickness of said second lens along said second optical axis divided by said second diameter is at least 0.5.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~An The optical lens set according to~~
~~any preceding claims as claimed in claim 1,~~ wherein said first width is the maximum width of said first lens set element perpendicular to said first optical axis and said second width is the maximum
5 width of said second lens set element perpendicular to said second optical axis.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~An The optical lens set according to~~
~~any preceding claims as claimed in claim 1,~~ wherein said first or second set element has a protrusion which is shaped to interfit with a surface of said second or first set element, respectively.

6. (Cancelled).

7. (Currently Amended) ~~An The optical lens set according to as~~
~~claimed in~~ claim 6~~1~~, wherein said outer part comprises an area of reduced thickness in a direction parallel to said second optical

axis, and wherein said removable part is detachable by severing
5 said outer part in said area of reduced thickness.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The optical lens set ~~according to~~
~~any preceding claims claimed in claim 1~~, wherein said inner part
is attachable to said first optical element to form a lens stack,
and wherein the thickness of said removable part of said outer part
5 in a direction parallel to said second optical axis is greater than
the maximum thickness of said lens stack when so formed.

9. (Currently Amended) An optical lens assembly comprising ~~an~~
~~the~~ optical lens set ~~according to any preceding claims claimed in~~
claim 1, wherein said first and second lens set elements are
mutually attached.

10. (Currently Amended) An optical scanning device for scanning
optical record carriers, the device including ~~an~~ the optical lens
assembly ~~according to as claimed in~~ claim 9.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of assembling an optical lens
set comprising the steps of:

a) ~~providing~~ a first lens set element having a first
optical axis and including a first lens having a first curved lens
5 surface having a first entrance pupil with a first diameter,
~~wherein said first lens set element is being~~ of a first width in a
direction perpendicular to said first optical axis;

b) providing a second lens set element having a second optical axis and including a second lens having a curved lens surface having a second entrance pupil with a different, second diameter ~~which is smaller than said first diameter, wherein said~~ second lens set element ~~has~~ having an inner part and an outer part arranged in a direction perpendicular to said second optical axis, said inner part including said second lens; and

e) attaching said first lens set element to said second lens set element by bonding an attachment surface of said first lens set element to an attachment surface of said second lens set element so that said first and second optical axes are aligned with each other,

characterized in that said outer part ~~extends~~ includes a removable part arranged to be removed during an assembly process, said removable part extending to a second width in a direction perpendicular to said second optical axis, which said second width is being greater than said first width, and wherein said method further comprises the step of:
removing said removable part before completing said optical lens set.